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POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
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First-Class Package Service (FCPS)  
Service Standard Changes, 2021

Docket No. N2021-2

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING  
DESIGNATING AND TAKING OFFICIAL NOTICE OF  
ADDITIONAL MATERIALS AND CLOSING THE EVIDENTIARY RECORD

(Issued September 1, 2021)

The Presiding Officer, on behalf of the Commission, designates and takes official notice<sup>1</sup> of the materials listed in the Attachment to this Ruling for inclusion in the evidentiary record for Docket No. N2021-2. Due to the limited number of additional designated materials, none shall be transcribed. The evidentiary record in Docket No. N2021-2 is hereby closed.

RULING

1. The materials shown in the Attachment to this Ruling are designated for inclusion in the evidentiary record.
2. The evidentiary record in Docket No. N2021-2 is hereby closed.

Ann C. Fisher  
Presiding Officer

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<sup>1</sup> Except for materials filed by the Postal Service under seal, all materials of which the Presiding Officer takes official notice are available to the public at the hyperlinks listed in the Attachment to this Ruling.

### **Official Notice of Materials**

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<sup>1</sup> This material was filed by the Postal Service non-publicly.

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<sup>3</sup> This material was filed by the Postal Service non-publicly.

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